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### CHAMPAGNE AND RACE HORSES.

#### BOTTOMLEY'S PURCHASES.

#### RECENT CONVERSION CRAFTS.

London, May 18.

The trial of Bottomley opened at the Old Bailey before Mr. Justice Salter. The court was crowded. The indictment consisted of 24 counts charging Bottomley with fraudulent conversion between May, 1918, and June, 1920. Bottomley was allowed to sit at the solicitors' table as he is conducting his own case.

The prosecutor, Mr. Travers Humphreys, declared that the prosecution had traced to Bottomley's use from the Victory Bond Club account £28,320 in cash, in addition to a £100,000 bond sold for £85,000, all of which had been used by Bottomley, none being repaid.

Counsel alleged that the monies drawn were used for purposes like the upkeep of race horses, the purchase of newspapers, champagne, "John Bull" shares, the German submarine "Deutschland," financing the makers of "John Bull" fountain pens, and electioneering. Eighty-three thousand people had written reclaiming money since Bottomley's affairs went into the hands of the receiver.

#### COUNTY CRICKET.

#### LATEST RESULTS.

London, May 18.

Playing at Manchester, Lancashire defeated Northamptonshire by nine wickets. For Lancashire Cook took 4 wickets for 37 in the first innings and 4 for 6 in the second. For Northamptonshire in the second innings Parkin took 6 for 31.

Gloucestershire defeated Glamorgan at Swansea by 20 runs. For Gloucestershire Cox took 4 for 27 in the first innings and 6 for 51 in the second; and Tate took 5 for 28 in the first and 4 for 49 in the second. Bowley scored 110 not out. For Glamorgan, Nash took 9 for 93.

#### IRISH PEACE HOPES.

#### IMPORTANT MOVE.

London, May 18.

There have been further important peace moves in Dublin to-day, the outcome of which has been a debate in the Dail on the unsuccessful peace committee's report. After the Dail had adjourned Mr. Collins and Mr. De Valera conferred for some hours privately and the peace committee met again.

Furthermore the Northern Nationalists this morning attended a gathering of pro-treaty and republican leaders. Military officers of both sides were also present.

#### HOME HOSPITAL FIRE.

#### INCURABLES BURNED ALIVE.

Rome, May 18.

Fire destroyed the ward for incurable patients at the Hospital of the Holy Ghost. Sixteen bodies have hitherto been recovered.

#### EMINENT METALLURGIST DEAD.

London, May 18.

The death has occurred of the eminent American metallurgist, Professor Henry Marion Howe son of Mrs. Howe, author of the battle hymn "Republic."

#### ASIA MINOR INQUIRY.

Italy has agreed to join the commission of enquiry into the Asia Minor atrocities (mentioned in our earlier cables.)

#### OVERSEAS CLUB APPRECIATION OF LOCAL EFFORT.

The April number of "Overseas," the monthly journal of the Overseas Club and Patriotic League, contains an appreciative article on the work being done here. "Splendid news has recently come to hand from Hongkong," says the journal "and we have received several delightful letters of members from our enthusiastic friend, Mr. Eric Rice, the private secretary to His Excellency the Governor. During Lord Northcliffe's flying visit to the Far East a garden party in his honour was given at Sir Paul Chater's beautiful house at Hongkong, at which 300 of the leading residents

were present, and although Lord Northcliffe was unable to attend owing to his steamer sailing earlier than was anticipated, a very charming gathering took place, at which His Excellency the Governor was present. On behalf of the Central Council we have written to Sir P. Chater, thanking him for his hospitality, and to Mr. Rice for making the arrangements. Among three who have recently joined our ranks at Hongkong are Lady Betty, the Duchess of Victoria, Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., the Colonial Secretary, and many others. We have also received a batch of applications from our H.C.B. Mr. Oliver T. Brakspear, of the Publicity Bureau for South China. Altogether, we are delighted with the prospects before our movement in

Hongkong, and very grateful to Mr. Rice for his splendid help. When are our friends at Shanghai going to do likewise? A mass meeting of Chinese journalists has been held in Peking with the object of preventing future wars and stopping the present one. The chief idea advanced was that it was the duty of journalists to shape public opinion so that a strong sentiment might be aroused against war of every kind. In addition economic pressure from movements was suggested, and it was resolved that the people should refuse to pay their taxes unless the troops were disbanded.

### THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 2/7 13/16  
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### GENOA PEACE PACT.

#### TEMPORARY MEASURE PASSED.

#### UNITED STATES' CAUTION.

Genoa, May 18.

The plenary political commission unanimously passed the temporary non-aggression pact in the form of a resolution which each state engages to respect.

The United States, replying regarding the Russian affairs commission, reserves decision until the situation is clearer.

#### ASIA INCLUDED.

Genoa, May 18.

In a passage of arms about the doings of the Far Eastern Republic, Baron Hayashi brought out the point that the truce shall apply to Asia as well as to Europe as stringently as circumstances will permit, M. Chicherin undertaking that the compact will be a reciprocal engagement on all Russian frontiers.

#### HOME COTTON DISPUTE.

#### OUTLOOK MORE HOPEFUL.

London, May 18.

The cotton outlook is more hopeful. The Operative Spinners' Amalgamation has decided to confer with the employers at Manchester to-morrow with a view to settlement.

#### EASTERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

#### SIR CHARLES ADDIS A DIRECTOR.

London, May 18.

Sir Charles Addis has joined the board of the Eastern Telegraph Company.

[Sir Charles Addis K.C.M.G., President of the Institute of Bankers and Chairman of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank's London Committee, is already a director of the Bank of England, the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Co., the British India Steam Navigation Co., the British and Chinese Corporation, and the Chinese Central Railway, Ltd. Sir Charles recently visited Hongkong in the course of a tour of the Far East.]

#### HOME ENGINEERING DISPUTE.

#### SETTLEMENT STILL DISTANT.

London, May 18.

The A.E.U. has broken away from the other unions and declined to proceed with negotiations on the basis of Sir William Mackenzie's report.

[Sir William Mackenzie presided over the court of enquiry into the engineering dispute.]

#### A SETBACK.

London, May 18.

Contrary to expectations the prospects of an early settlement of the engineering dispute, have been seriously set back. This is the opening sentence of a statement by the employers' federation which says its new proposals go beyond the finding of the court of enquiry in the unions' favour. The unions other than the A.E.U. adjourned to consider the matter sectionally, and will then confer again with the employers on May 20.

#### BOKHARA TROUBLE.

Tehran, May 18.

A message from Khorasan states that Russian reinforcements from the Caspian are moving along the trans-Caspian Railway to deal with Enver Pasha's anti-Bolshevik movement at Bokhara.

#### NEW STRAITS LOAN.

London, May 18.

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## STRIKE RIOT.

CARPENTERS ASSAULTED  
IN THEIR SHOPS.SYSTEMATIC INTIMIDATION.  
TWO MEN SERIOUSLY  
INJURED.

The carpenters, whose wages dispute was reported to have been nearly settled, issued a circular last night calling upon all carpenters who have not yet left their employment, to do so without delay. The circular contained a threat to assault anyone who disobeyed. Many apparently took the threat lightly, and being so tickled to leave the matter in the hands of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, refused to join the strikers. That the strikers' threat was meant, they soon discovered to their sorrow. Pickets of strikers, armed with poles, hammers, and other weapons, it is stated, made a systematic search for strikers this morning, and severely assaulted all those whom they found to be working.

The first intimation that the police received of these drastic doings, was when a report was received soon after 9 o'clock this morning, that a riot had broken out in Des Voeux Road West, and many people had been severely handled in a carpenter's shop at No. 32, Des Voeux Road West. All available men in the Central Station were immediately turned out. About a quarter of an hour later, wounded men began to come to the station to report that they had been assaulted. Some had only slight injuries to exhibit, but one man, who carried a hammer with which he said he had been assaulted, had an ugly wound in the head. According to this man's story, not satisfied with assaulting those in the shop itself, the strikers had gone up to the third floor of the house, which was used as sleeping quarters, and had assaulted everyone they found there. He was on the third floor when he was assaulted.

Meanwhile, the police had arrived at No. 32, Des Voeux Road West, where they were informed that the rioters had already left in the direction of the Western Market. Two severely hurt men who were found in the shop were despatched to the Government Civil Hospital. The police pushed on to the Western Market, on approaching which their attention was attracted by the blowing of police whistles. They hurried on and found a party of Indian watchmen and Chinese detectives, the Indians armed with rifles, struggling with a score of the rioters. As the police approached, the rioters made off, but the Indian watchmen managed to hold half a dozen of them. The captives were marched to the Central Station. The police gave chase to the rest of the rioters, but with what success is not yet known.

Several wounded men were sent up to the Central Station to report. Those requiring medical attention were sent on to the Government Civil Hospital.

## PRIVATE LAUNCH OWNERS' GRIEVANCE.

INCONSIDERATE STRIKERS.

Almost before the Chinese Seamen's Union has ceased to observe a senselessly provocative attitude towards the question of a general strike, the launch men provide another example of the stupid way labour here antagonizes the European community. The launch men have gone on strike. That they are entitled to do, since the right to strike has long been recognised. The real dispute lies with the owners of steam launches used for commercial purposes. The owners of private pleasure launches have not been approached with a grievance, nor have they any influence over settling the dispute, yet their employees, reluctantly, are forced to stop work under threat of bodily harm. The union could easily prevent private launches from being used for commercial purposes during the strike, but it apparently prefers to lay them up for no earthly reason.

The "Speyside" is a small vessel 36 ft. in length with a breadth of 17 ft., a draught of 6 ft., and a net tonnage of 64, owned by Mr. Albert Y. Gowen, who, with a party, has been en route from New York, via Panama Canal. Mr. Gowen proposes to cruise along the Queensland Coast to Bowen and Townsville, thence to the Solomon Islands, New Guinea, Java, Borneo, Philippine Islands, Hongkong, India, Ceylon, Sumatra, Straits Settlement, Ceylon, Bombay, Egypt, Constantinople, Greece, Sicily, and Italy to London. From London the vessel will proceed to the Azores, Bermuda, and back to New York, which the party hope to reach in April 1923.

## \$40,000 ROBBERY.

DAYLIGHT HOLD-UP IN  
THE CITY.ARMED MEN RAID PRAYA  
SHOP.TWO SUSPECTS ARRESTED AT FERRY  
WHARF.

The biggest robbery of the year was committed in broad daylight this morning. The victims are the Wing Shin Tai firm of California merchants, occupying the second floor of No. 51, Connaught Road Central, above the Hoo Cheung Wo Company, ship-chandlers and sail and flag makers.

A China Mail reporter who visited the shop about 10.30 received details of the robbery from Mr. Wong Kit Sang, the proprietor of the firm. Mr. Wong said he came to the office at 8.05 a. m. Seventeen of his *fokis* and clients were having their morning meal when he arrived. Halfway through the meal, about 8.20, a party of men, about nine in number, entered the flat. The leader of the party remarked curtly "Search for firearms." Two of the men walked across to the verandah and took up positions there. Mr. Wong and his *fokis* still thought that the men were detectives, as their dress and appearance conveyed that impression. The men then surrounded the table and at a signal from the leader, suddenly produced revolvers. They then drove the shop people along the passage into a small cubicle in the rear part of the flat under the staircase. Into this small place the seventeen *fokis* and clients were crowded, while they were gagged with small Chinese wine cups forced into their mouths, with handkerchiefs tied over them. Then their hands and legs were tied together with ropes, and two men were left outside the door to guard them.

The robbers took Mr. Wong back to the front part of the flat, where, with the warning "If you give the alarm you will die before help can come," the leader demanded the key to the safe. The key was kept in Mr. Wong's pocket but he tried to bluff the robbers by saying he did not have it as he was not the master. However, this was no use, and under threat of death he handed over the key. He was then also put into the rear cubicle and bound and gagged with the others. The robbers fumbled with the safe lock for some time, but could not master the combination.

After a while, the robbers returned to the cubicle and took Mr. Wong out again. They now forced him to open the safe for them, and in his presence threw its contents into a rattan basket they had brought with them. Afterwards Mr. Wong was taken back to the rear cubicle and tied with the others, while the robbers ransacked the rest of the premises, opening up the *fokis'* boxes etc.

During a few minutes' silence, thinking the robbers had departed, one of the *fokis* tried to drag himself to the door of the cubicle, but was promptly met with another threat of death. Apparently the robbers did not find anything of value in the *fokis'* belongings, for presently the robber chief returned to the cubicle and relieved Mr. Wong of a gold watch and chain.

The robbers then departed quietly. About five minutes later one of the *fokis* managed to release himself and undid the ropes of the others. The alarm was then given, and a Chinese constable arrived that afternoon.

Mr. Wong said that altogether, the robbers stole \$20,000 worth of American gold coins which had been deposited with the firm by clients, jewellery and money in Hongkong currency, worth another \$50,000, and a number of drafts and share certificates issued by the "China Mail" S.S. Company. The police subsequently arrested two men on suspicion at the Yau-mai Ferry wharf.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Canton merchants have recently  
organised a large fertilizer concern.An earthquake at Yangtze has  
rendered many people homeless.Ten cases of plague (4 fatal) and  
one of enteric fever, all Chinese, were  
notified yesterday.Negotiations are said to be in  
progress for the purchase of the s.s.  
"Hailong," belonging to the Douglas  
Company.Canton street sweepers have  
applied for an increase in their wages.  
A number of tailors making European  
clothing are out on strike and the  
messons and carpenters went out yesterday.

## LABOUR TROUBLES.

LAUNCHMEN ON STRIKE.

THIS EVENING'S MEETING.

The threatened strike of the men employed on launches running on the harbour is in full swing to day. Following the termination of yesterday's negotiations the men were called out, most of the launches and motor boats being laid up at 6 p.m. In many cases the boats were taken to typhoon anchorages. The motor boat services at Blake Pier discontinued last night. The workers directly involved in the strike number some thousands. It is estimated that there are about 400 launches on the harbour with a minimum crew of five and nearly 100 motor boats with a crew of three.

The harbour this morning presents rather an unusual aspect. The usual crowds of launches are absent. The sampan is more used than before. Launch services, however, are by no means at a standstill. The larger launches are utilizing part of their fleet and are now discovering the minimum on which their services can be maintained. This may prove a great factor regarding the present dispute. Butterfields and Jardine's, for instance, have their launches manned by men from their ships and on the reserve, while other shipping firms are following suit. As an example the Pacific Mail S.S. Co.'s launch Solano is being coxed by the Captain of the s.s. Lake Farmingdale. Capt. Dix, the ship's engineers also taking on duty on the launch.

## STAR FERRY SERVICES.

Last night the following notice was posted up at the Star Ferry:—"Owing to the threatened strike of coxswains and engineers of ferries, the regular service will probably be suspended for a few hours to-morrow morning."

The strike having eventuated the ferries were at once manned by naval ratings. The service is necessarily restricted, only two boats running. To-day no fixed schedule was maintained, the company working to get each launch across the harbour as many times as possible. Huge crowds have been brought across on these boats, consequent upon the stoppage of the ferry services to Mongkok and Yau-mai. The Secretary of the Star Ferry Company in conversation with a China Mail representative advised Kowloon residents to arrange for tiffin on Hongkong side during the strike as it will be impossible to maintain the usual five minute service at that hour.

Naval ratings are manning a launch belonging to the Dairy Farm as it is recognised that the transport of food supplies must not be hampered.

The shipping companies have been considerably helped by the Harbour Department giving them permission to run launches from their ships or office staffs, any regulations making it necessary for coxswains to have certificates being waived.

The Police launch services are not being interfered with. The coxswains are members of the force and the engineers will not be withdrawn so long as only police duties are carried out. Services in the other Government departments are being maintained.

## LAUNCHMEN TO MEET.

Launch owners met at the Chamber of Commerce this morning to consider the position. The opinion was expressed that many of the men on strike did not know what the owners had offered. It was therefore decided to hold a meeting this afternoon of such launchmen who care to attend to explain the matter.

## NORTH CHINA WAR.

MOVEMENT OF TROOP-TRAINS.

(Reuter's Pacific Service.)

TUESDAY, May 18.

About 20 more troop trains containing Chinese forces passed north-eastward yesterday and to-day. Many empty trains are going back, evidently to fetch further reinforcements.

It is understood that the goods traffic on the Peking line is suspended, probably owing to the troop movements.

PEKING, May 18.

General Wu Pei-fu continues to strengthen his Chihli forces on the north eastern front, which are still considerably fewer than those of the Fengtien forces.

PEKING, May 18.

In a recent interview with foreign correspondents, Chang Tso-lin said that he did not intend to attack the Chihli forces, but to remain where he was and fight if attacked.

## COMPANY REPORT.

THE "STAR" FERRY CO. LTD.

The report of the "Star" Ferry Co. Ltd. for the year ending April 30, 1922, for presentation to shareholders at the 24th. ordinary annual meeting to be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, May 23, is as follows:—

The net earnings of the boats, after paying all working expenses, amounted to \$156,265.19 as against \$135,734.53 the previous year.

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Directors.—In accordance with the Articles of Association, Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang retires, but being eligible offers himself for re-election.

Auditor.—The accounts have been audited by Mr. C. Bernard Brown, A.C.A., who offers himself for re-election.

## ARMED ROBBERY.

VILLAGE WOMEN ATTACKED.

An armed robbery is reported from Tsinghai village. Several armed men entered a house there at 11 o'clock last night and held up the inmates, a couple of women and several children. One of the women resisted the intruders, and was stabbed twice in the back of the neck. The robbers then took from her a pair of gold bangles which she was wearing. In the meantime the other woman had managed to escape to the hillside, and gave the alarm, with the result that the robbers left hurriedly, leaving behind them several boxes which they were riding. The police were communicated with and the wounded woman was removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital, where she now lies in a critical condition.

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## WEATHER REPORT.

May 19th. 11h. 51m.—Pressure is highest to the east of Japan. It has decreased considerably in extreme North and slightly in other districts. Gradients are shallow over S. China and the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. today, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 1922, 1.81 inches, against an average of 17.80 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on May 20, 1922.

1.—From the Channel. Light, variable winds; fine to cloudy.  
2.—From the Gulf of Tonkin. Light, variable winds, fine to cloudy.  
3.—From the coast of China between Hongkong and Shanghai. Light, variable winds; fine to cloudy.  
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## DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

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### NATIONAL CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE ENDS.

#### FINAL MESSAGES.

The meetings of the final day of the National Christian Conference opened with a brief business session, in which resolutions were adopted in accordance with which the findings and recommendations in the carefully prepared reports of the five Commissions presented to the Conference were referred to the Churches, missions, mission boards and other organizations concerned for careful consideration, and especially referred to the National Christian Council for such emphasis as may be called for in carrying into effect those recommendations which may call for action. The Conference also referred to the Council all requests for items of business on which the Business Committee of the Conference had not taken action. With this provision for the proper conduct of all the unfinished business of the Conference and with the adoption of a resolution expressing appreciation and hearty thanks for the services of all individuals and committees who had made possible the holding of the present meeting, the Conference turned to a final message from its chairman, Pastor Cheng expressed gratitude for Divine guidance which had been from the beginning and during preparation for the Conference in the work of all its Commissions and throughout the sessions to the very last. He reminded the Conference that the undertakings borne at this Conference must be carried on under the inspirations which have marked these meetings. The spirit of the Conference has been one of co-operation and development. It is essential that every delegate accept responsibility to carry out fully and richly the decisions reached. The union of Christian forces in China which has been affected will have significant influence not only throughout this country but throughout the world. The keynote of the Conference has been unity of spirit. Relying on God's help, we may achieve the goals which have been seen in the inspiring visions of these days.

With reference to the National Christian Council, Dr. Cheng pointed out that while it is the servant of the Churches, it can only succeed in the task given to it by the mandate of this conference when every delegate accepts responsibility for supporting it and secures, through adequately reporting the Conference to his constituency, a similar feeling of responsibility and eager support from every Christian throughout the country. Dr. Cheng urged every

delegate to carry back so far as possible the real spirit and purpose of the Conference and urged each one to be patient in explaining the Conference so that everyone may understand its purpose and its significance. Dr. Cheng went on to say that it is important that Chinese as well as foreigners share in the financial responsibility which must be met if the Council is to be effective, and urged that every local church make some sort of contribution to the budget of the Council so that the burden and the glory of the work may be shared by the Chinese. With the gracious guidance of the Lord God, this Conference may result in true spiritual growth and the accomplishment of the goal of a united Christian Church in China.

Following the period of devotion, messages were received from board secretaries and representatives, who expressed their gratitude for having had a share in the inspiration of the Conference, and prayed for real blessing upon the work of the future which will carry out the plans now made. Representatives of various denominational mission boards from both Great Britain and America spoke. The closing session of the Conference was first addressed by Chinese, representing pastors, teachers, physicians, students, women and laymen. These gave greetings, expressed gratitude for the inspiration received, and indicated the impression they had received from the Conference. Miss Li Te-Chuan of Peking, who spoke for the women, summed up the feelings of the others when she stressed the responsibility of every delegate to this Conference for those whom he or she represented, pointing out that each Chinese delegate represented 1,000 fellow Christians and each foreigner twenty missionaries. She reminded the delegates that they must receive from the Conference that with which to meet the needs of those who had sent them.

The closing address of the Conference was delivered by Mr. Fletcher Brockman, well-known for many years as General Secretary of the Christian Association in China. The keynote of the Conference, he said, is spiritual unity. Such unity is based on the Christian view of man and the Christian view of God. It remains for the Christian Churches and Missions of China and their members to realize in concrete ways the spiritual unity which has been the inspiration of this gathering. —(Contributed.)

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### HORRIBLE CRIME.

#### MURDER CHARGE AGAINST FOUR MEN.

A short time ago the mutilated body of a young Chinese, aged about 20 years, was found at Deep Bay with the legs missing, the hands tied in front and two large stones attached to the neck, pointing clearly to foul play.

Four Chinese were produced before Magistrate Lindsell yesterday afternoon, on a charge of murder.

Outlining the prosecution, the Assistant Crown Solicitor, (Mr. T. M. Hasleridge) said that the deceased, Tang Fook-chi, a native of Santun Tungkun, worked in his brother's boat. The brothers appeared to have been engaged in smuggling sulphur and saltpetre from Kowloon into Chinese territory, a "trade" in which the defendants were also engaged. On April 30 the Tangs' boat went to Shamshuipo where they met another man named Tang Kam-yung, whom they succeeded in persuading to convey for them a quantity of sulphur and saltpetre in his boat to Chekwai. In accordance with the plan which the three men made then, the two boats started on their voyage early on the morning of the 1st and arrived off Castle Peak just at daybreak where they anchored at a jetty. There the men met the deceased's brother's son who was in his boat with his wife. At 2 p.m. the same day the three boats sailed for Yung-long and during the voyage some of the cargo was transferred into the son's boat. Arrived at Nim Wan, in Deep Bay, the three boats anchored off a salt dealer's wharf, where the four defendants' boats were lying. After sunset the three Tang boats resumed their voyage, accompanied by another boat belonging to a woman and a fisherman's sampan which also had sulphur on board.

The fleet anchored at Chek Wan point, just off the shore, where deceased's brother instructed his son to go out in his boat to scout around and see if there were any Customs launches nearby. Just off Chek Wan Point the son came across the four defendants and two others in their boat. The second accused called out to him and asked him where his and his father's boats were. The information was given to the defendant who, with a pistol in his hand ordered the young man to row back to his father's boat while he followed with his associates. The two brother smugglers and their friend Tang Kam-yung were on the same boat, which the second defendant boarded when he arrived. The defendants then tied up the elder brother and Tang Kam-yung, but did not bind the deceased. The first accused was alleged to have robbed a quantity of sulphur from the fisherman's boat which was lying nearby. An attempt was made to capture the elder brother's son, who was, however, pulled back into his own boat by his wife. He jumped into the water and swam ashore. Tang Kam-yung managed to free his hands. He jumped overboard and was later picked up with the elder brother's son by the latter's wife. After that defendants sailed away with the two brothers, followed by the woman in her boat.

After they had gone some distance the woman heard arguments taking place on board the Tang's boat and overheard one of the defendants' associates who was not in custody accuse

### FOX-TROT.

#### INTERESTING KOWLOON COMPETITION.

Local dancers will learn with interest and pleasure that a fox-trot competition takes place in Kowloon next week. The arrangements will be very simple and quite informal. Any couple will be eligible to take part, and need only apply to an attendant for numbered cards to be pinned to their backs. The judges will be the well-known dancers, the Misses Allen and Donie Woods. A simple method of elimination will be employed, the couples finally left being arranged in accordance with the applause which they earn. Some six prizes will be presented to the best dancers.

It is understood that the judges are likely to set their faces against "stunting" and, while it would be too much to say that "stunting" will actually disqualify competitors except such variations as tend to incommode other couples on the floor, steps which fall under this general description will not earn any marks.

one of the brothers of having given information to the police which led to the seizure of some sulphur belonging to him. The elder brother was heard to reply that he would pay compensation when they got to Tseukun city. Just after this the woman heard cries of "Save life," followed immediately by the sound of beating. The woman and her son later saw two bodies being thrown overboard from the boat and saw them sink. The woman and her son rowed back to Chek Wan Point on being warned by one of the defendants' associates that they would be killed also if they continued to follow them.

On May 3, a fisherman fishing near Nim Wan was drawing up his hooks at dawn when he pulled up to the surface the dead body of a man. Horrified, the fisherman once cut his line and allowed the body to sink again. The corpse was then in a complete state. Several days later the father and the elder brother's wife who were endeavouring to trace the missing brothers came across the fisherman and went out with him to the same spot where they hooked up the dead body again. This time only the trunk of the corpse—the head, arms and the upper part of the chest—was recovered. The wrists were tied with a rope to which a stone was attached. A bag of sulphur was also attached to one end of the rope. The body was identified as that of Tang Fook-chi, the deceased.

When the father and the elder brother's wife went in a bus with the four defendants to identify the body in the Kowloon mortuary, an offer of \$500 was alleged to have been made to the father by the second accused to remain silent. This offer the defendant repeated through a Chinese detective after he had been charged with the murder.

Mr. Hasleridge said that the motive was the alleged action of one of the brothers in giving information to the police which led to the seizure of some sulphur belonging to the defendants.

The case was adjourned until this afternoon.

### SIR PATRICK MANSON.

#### HOME PAPERS' TRIBUTES.

Most of the contemporaries of Sir Patrick Manson in the early days in Formosa, then in Amoy and afterwards Hongkong, before he settled in London, have passed away, but those who remain will remember his early attempts at investigating the origin of malaria, says the *China Press* and *Telegraph*. It is stated that soon after he arrived in Formosa in 1866 he wrote home that there existed there "a considerable prevalence of disease, most of which had never even been heard of in Aberdeen." He set to work at once and reached results which we now know have done so much for mankind. During five years he toiled without finding anything more considerable than his own ignorance of tropical medicine. Then he moved to the mainland of China, bought a medical practice at Amoy, and became surgeon to a missionary hospital and medical officer to the Customs. Here he got on the track of the mosquito as the offender and introducer of malaria into the human body. His labours were taken up by Sir Ronald Ross and a host of devoted followers, until we have reached the degree of life-saving in tropical countries which, if not complete, is so vast a step in advance of what it was, say, a quarter of a century ago. These labours have largely robbed life in the tropics of one of its most deadly and insidious diseases. It enabled the Panama Canal to be constructed at a minimum of sacrifice in human life, to what might have been otherwise.

Before Manson began his work the tropics had many diseases, the names of which were quite unknown at home, and that proved very costly in the toll of European lives amongst those who took up residence in the tropics. It is different now when the science of tropical medicine has taken a firm hold. The fruits of his work have been seen in Malaya and other parts of the Far East, in West Africa, and in fact all tropical countries, where it has lightened the white man's burden and vastly ameliorated the condition of the native. His original discoveries opened out a vast field in other directions, the end of which is not yet, for extended research brings additional results. We cannot do more than join in the tribute which *The Times* pays to his memory, when it states that Sir Patrick Manson was able to save millions of human lives, that he was able to banish disease from its immemorial fastnesses, that he was able to afford safe conducts to the missionary, the soldier, and the merchant in many of the world's danger areas, are perhaps the least of his achievements. Greater was the moral support which his work has bestowed on what we speak of as Western civilisation. War and famine, as we have seen in our own generation, bring with them, too often, the horrors of pestilence; and pestilence is a fruitful soil of new wars and greater famines. To have broken that fatal chain in one of its links is to have accomplished a work monumental in stature and infinite its possibilities of good.

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